

Ali arrives in Ankara for talks

ANKARA (R) — Egyptian Foreign Minister Kamal Hassan Ali arrived in Istanbul Tuesday for a four-day official visit, on his way to Ankara and the U.S. for talks on the Middle East. Mr. Hassan Ali starts his official visit in Ankara Wednesday, meeting military head of state Kenan Evren and Prime Minister Bulend Ulusu for talks on regional and bilateral issues. Foreign Ministry sources in Cairo said Mr. Ali would give messages from President Hosni Mubarak to the leaders of the three countries he would visit, dealing with various peace plans as well as trade and economic relations.

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'King to head delegation to Peking'

AMMAN (R) — His Majesty King Hussein will head an Arab delegation expected to visit Peking to outline an Arab Middle East peace plan, informed sources said Tuesday. They did not say when the delegation would visit the Chinese capital, but hinted it could be before the end of the year. The delegation was set up by an Arab summit in the Moroccan city of Fez in September to brief the five permanent members of the U.N. Security Council on the Arab plan. The plan calls for an independent Palestinian state on the Israeli-occupied West Bank and Gaza Strip and was seen as implicitly recognising Israel. The same delegation, but headed by King Hassan of Morocco, visited Washington recently and held talks with President Reagan.

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Group of wounded Palestinians arrive in Moscow

MOSCOW (R) — A group of wounded Palestinians has arrived in Moscow from Damascus for medical treatment the official Soviet News Agency TASS said. TASS said Monday that other Palestinians already in the Soviet Union were being treated at the best clinics in Moscow. A group of Palestinians wounded in Lebanon were reported to have arrived in Moscow earlier in September.

Papandreu leaves for talks in Romania

ATHENS (R) — Greek Prime Minister Andreas Papandreu, pursuing closer ties with his country's Balkan neighbours, left Tuesday for a three-day official visit to Romania. Diplomatic sources said the talks would focus on economic issues, on the possible denuclearisation of the Balkans, and on the Middle East. Romania told Greece earlier this year it could not pay in currency its \$75 million debt on imports from Greece and Greek press reports said the two countries agreed to settle the matter on a barter basis. Making the Balkans a nuclear-free zone is a longstanding policy aim of Mr. Papandreu's Socialist government and Romanian President Nicolae Ceausescu strongly endorsed the idea when he came to Athens in May. A month later Mr. Papandreu told journalists in Bulgaria that it was not a decision that could be taken lightly since Greece's security was at stake.

Tikhonov awarded top state honours

MOSCOW (R) — Soviet Prime Minister Nikolai Tikhonov was awarded top state honours Tuesday for his stewardship of the country's economy. The official TASS news agency said Mr. Tikhonov, 77, who has been prime minister for two years, was presented with the Order of Lenin and his second gold banner and sickle medal by President Leonid Brezhnev at a Kremlin ceremony. TASS said the award had been given in recognition of Mr. Tikhonov's "great strengthening of the country's economic and defence might." Mr. Brezhnev was quoted as praising his Kremlin colleague for his "exceptional ability and dedication to work."

Leftists put on trial in Istanbul

ISTANBUL (R) — The latest in a series of mass trials in Turkey began Tuesday as 386 people faced charges of membership of a militant leftist organisation. The trials all involve people accused of political violence before the 1980 military coup. This brings the total number currently on trial in Istanbul or Dev-Sol (extremist left) membership to 781 and the total who face the death penalty if convicted to 83. Dev-Sol and a closely similar organisation Dev-Yul (Revolutionary Way) claim responsibility for much of the left wing violence before the coup when up to 25 people were killed daily in shootings and bombings by leftists and rightists. Mass trials are underway in Ankara and elsewhere as are mass trials of trade unionists and others. Nine have finished yet and Tuesday's trial is expected to last months.

Qadhafi arrives in Belgrade for talks

BELGRADE (R) — Libyan leader Muammar Qadhafi arrived in Belgrade Tuesday for two-day talks with Yugoslav leaders expected to be dominated by the Middle East conflict and African problems. Col. Qadhafi, who arrived by way of Moscow following visits to China and North Korea, was making his third official trip to Yugoslavia in 17 months. His talks with President Petar Stambolic and other Yugoslav leaders will start Wednesday, officials said. Yugoslavia, a leading non-aligned country and a long-time supporter of Arab causes, notably the Palestinian issue, has welcomed the recent summit in Fez, Morocco, as an important step towards strengthening Arab unity.

Multinational force to patrol east Beirut

BEIRUT (R) — U.S. marines and French and Italian troops from the Lebanon peace force could start patrolling east Beirut, stronghold of rightist Christian militias, Wednesday, a U.S. military spokesman said Tuesday. Lt. Col. John Abel said there was a strong possibility the deployment could begin in the morning, but arrangements were still being made. The 4,000-strong multinational force had been due for weeks to help the Lebanese army deploy in east Beirut. The State Department announced Monday that President Reagan had approved a Lebanese request for the marines to join the French and Italians on mobile patrols in the eastern sector. The international force is at present deployed in west Beirut, which was controlled by Palestinian commandos and leftist militias until this summer's Israeli invasion. The Lebanese army has carried out sweeping searches for arms in the west. Muslim politicians have criticised the army's failure to do the same in the eastern sector. Spokesmen for the Christian militias say their men in east Beirut are confined to barracks and will welcome the army and the three-nation peace force. Security was tighter at the marines' headquarters Tuesday, after a car bomb exploded 30 metres from a marine camp Monday. Western diplomatic sources said President Amin Gemayel was keen that patrolling of east Beirut should begin, even if it was only symbolic, before the new government faces a confidence vote in parliament on Thursday. Prime Minister Shafiq Al-Wazzan, presenting his programme Tuesday, asked for emergency powers for the next eight months. Political sources said this was an indication of the government's will to exert its authority after eight years of anarchy in Lebanon leading to the Israeli invasion in June. Fighting flares up Renewed fighting between Christian and Druze militiamen broke out Tuesday in the Shouf mountains southeast of Beirut, security sources said. State-run Beirut Radio said one person was killed and another injured in the village of Brih, southwest of the town of Ain Zaita. But clashes around the town of Bhamdoun on the Beirut-Damascus highway had died down, the radio said. In Tel Aviv, a military spokesman said one Israeli soldier was slightly wounded when he was caught in crossfire near Ain Zaita. Fighting between the right-wing Christian militias and the mainly Druze Progressive Socialist Party (PSP) has flared in at least four places in the Shouf since a clash on Sunday. Israeli forces control the area but maintain a minimal presence. Four days of fighting last month ended when Israeli tanks moved into the village of Kfar Matta 15 kilometres from Beirut. The area was calm but tense until the latest flare-up.

Draper reports progress in talks

TEL AVIV (R) — U.S. special envoy Morris Draper Tuesday reported progress in efforts to ensure the departure of all foreign forces from Lebanon and security for Israel. A senior Israeli government official indicated that the discussions to date dealt more with the manner in which Israeli-Lebanese talks are to be held rather than on ways of getting the Israeli, Syrian and remaining Palestinian forces out. The Israeli official said Mr. Shamir had made Israel's attitude towards the composition of a multinational force in Lebanon clear to Mr. Draper. Lebanon is reported to have expressed interest in an offer by King Hassan of Morocco to provide troops for such a force.

Socialist leaders to press for exclusion of Israeli Labour Party from movement

ZURICH (R) — Socialist international leaders would be asked to suspend Israel's Labour Party from the movement when they meet in Basle Wednesday. Socialist sources said Tuesday. A number of Socialist parties including those from Finland, Denmark and Spain, are pressing for exclusion of the party on the grounds that it supported Prime Minister Menachem Begin's invasion of Lebanon. The leaders are officially due to discuss the Middle East and a membership request by a radical Israeli left-wing party, Mapam. Mapam, otherwise known as the United Workers Party currently has consultative status with the international, while the Labour Party of Shimon Peres enjoys full membership. Radicals within the organisation, which groups 6 Socialist Parties with an estimated worldwide membership of 8 million, argue that Mr. Peres damaged its credibility with his earlier firm support for the Lebanon invasion. The issue of Israeli membership is a particularly sensitive one for the organisation because Mr. Peres is one of its vice-presidents and because its members have been actively involved in Middle East peace efforts, the sources said. Austrian Chancellor Bruno Kreisky was one of the first European leaders to establish links with the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO). Newly re-elected Swedish Prime Minister Olof Palme has been another prominent Socialist figure in peace moves in the region. But the organisation has long been divided on Israeli policy, and some members were pressing for a strong condemnation of Mr. Begin's policy even before the invasion of Lebanon. The Socialist sources said Tuesday that senior leaders including Mr. Brandt, would probably try to avert a major confrontation over the Labour Party issue. Any decision by the bureau must be submitted to the organisations biennial congress in Sydney next year. Other items due for discussion at this week's Basle meeting include the situation in southern Africa and applications for membership from several third world countries.

Mubarak ready to meet Begin for talks

CAIRO (R) — Egyptian President Hosni Mubarak said Tuesday he was prepared to meet Prime Minister Menachem Begin for talks on settling their two countries' disputes. "I could meet him (Mr. Begin) anywhere. It is not a problem there is nothing personal between me and Mr. Begin," Mr. Mubarak told reporters following a meeting with a group of provincial leaders. "I have no complexes that stop me from meeting him." Questioned by reporters Mr. Mubarak did not make clear whether this meant he was willing to travel to Israel. Mr. Mubarak has not been to Israel since he took over from the late President Anwar Sadat in October 1981. He was planning to visit Israel earlier this year but the trip never took place. He insisted on not including Jerusalem declared in 1980 as the undivided and eternal capital of Israel in his tour. Israel cancelled the visit in protest. Commenting on the opening Monday of an Israeli luxury hotel in the Sinai coastal strip of Tabá over which both countries claim sovereignty, President Mubarak said: "We had better leave that to negotiations, let Israel have the hotel and then we shall purchase it and eventually have it." He said the United States partner to an agreement reached last April between Egypt and Israel on Tabá's status pending final settlement of the issue, opposed the Israeli action there and would assume a role in future talks over the issue. The Israeli cabinet said last weekend that it was prepared to resume talks on Tabá, suspended since last May only if they were part of talks on broader issues between the two countries. Egyptian-Israeli relations have been cool since Israel launched its military campaign against Lebanon last summer. Relations took a deeper dive when Egypt recalled its ambassador in Tel Aviv last September following reports that Israeli forces took part in the massacre of Palestinians in west Beirut. Mr. Mubarak described talks held last month between King Hussein of Jordan and Palestinian leader Yasser Arafat as constituting a new element in the search for peace in the Middle East.

Pope asks Spaniards to respect outcome of elections

MADRID (R) — Pope John Paul told Spaniards Tuesday to respect the outcome of last week's general elections in which the Socialists were put in power for the first time since before the 1936-39 Civil War. Speaking on the third day of a 10-day visit to Spain the Pope made the appeal in the royal palace in the presence of King Juan Carlos and the country's political and military chiefs after shaking hands with Prime Minister elect Felipe Gonzalez. "In this country visit I would like to express my greetings and respect to the legitimate representatives of the Spanish people whom they have elected with their mandates to govern their destinies," Pope John Paul said. Praising the efforts of Spaniards in building democracy since the end of Gen. Franco's right-wing dictatorship in 1975, the Pope referred to the "plurality of legitimate options" and respect that must be paid to them. His speech was seen as a clear warning to right-wing forces in Spain, which traditionally act in the name of Catholicism, that the church would not support any attempt to overthrow the country's young democracy. But the Pope added that the church expected similar respect for itself from the country's elected authorities. Army generals saluted the Pope as he was preceded by the king to the country's leading civilian and military authorities in a reception that was televised live. Mr. Gonzalez and his wife, Carmen, who describe themselves as non-believers bowed and shook the Pope by the hand. The Pope appeared visibly interested in the encounter. The Socialist leader told reporters he liked the Pope's speech. "The sentiments he expressed are very close to those of the people of Spain," he said. He said he felt the Pope's visit had helped to calm passions after the elections and added that he expected to meet the pontiff a second time during his visit. Mr. Gonzalez, 40, was due to meet King Juan Carlos again Tuesday night for the first working sessions since he swept to power in last week's elections. Officials said they would discuss the programme for the transition that will be completed in December. Earlier the Pope celebrated mass in Madrid's Almudena cemetery for the souls of the dead in a ceremony that must have recalled the similar tradition in his Polish homeland. Hundreds of thousands of people were at the cemetery where the dead of both sides in the Spanish civil war are buried. The Pope said all souls day offered an admirable occasion for the living to meet the dead. Earlier the Pope was received at Zarzuela Palace, the small royal residence south of the capital. He has been with King Juan Carlos every day of his trip so far, visibly boosting the image of the monarch who is credited with playing a key role in Spain's transition from dictatorship to democracy. The day's programme was due to end with a mass on Madrid's main Castellana avenue at which officials expected up to a million participants.

Iraq says new Iranian offensive repulsed, counter-attacks started

BAGHDAD (R) — Iraq said Tuesday it had repulsed a new Iranian offensive in the two-year-old Gulf war and its planes were striking at Iranian forces trying to cross the border in the southern sector of the front.

A military source quoted by the official Iraqi News Agency (INA) said Iraqi fighter planes were also attacking Iranian troops further inside Iran at Ein-e-Khosh. Reports from both sides said the latest Iranian assault began Monday night west of Ein-e-Khosh in a border area where the foothills of the Zagros mountains meet the plains of Iran's oil-producing province of Khuzestan. Iraqi President Saddam Hussein announced in Baghdad Tuesday that the offensive had "failed and been crushed". He was addressing heads of delegations taking part in the Baghdad International Trade Fair. The Iraqi military source implicitly denied an Iranian claim to have shot down an Iraqi plane near Ein-e-Khosh, saying no Iraqi aircraft had been hit in raids which started at dawn Tuesday. Iraqi reports said the Iranian attack was directed against Iraq's Fourth Army, which Iran claimed it had destroyed in an offensive last March. Iraq said at the time it had withdrawn the Fourth Army to positions near the border.

The new offensive is Iran's third since Iraq announced in June that it had pulled back to the international frontier, after the Gulf war started in September 1980. The two earlier offensives, one near the southern port of Basra in July and the other east of Baghdad last month, appeared to have made little or no headway into Iraqi territory. Iraqi Information Minister Latif Nassif Jasssem Tuesday dismissed Iran's claim that it was fighting on its own soil. He said in a statement to INA that Tehran made such claims "after each abortive attempt to cross the border".

The latest fighting came only a week after Iraq said it accepted, and Iran declared it rejected, fresh proposals by the Organisation of Islamic Conference (OIC) to end the conflict. Among its conditions for ending the war, Iran is demanding massive war reparations from Iraq and "punishment" of the aggressor — generally interpreted as the overthrow of President Hussein's government. Iraq said later Tuesday its forces had killed 4,660 Iranian troops and wounded and captured many others since Iran had launched the offensive. An Iraqi High Command communiqué said Tuesday night: "Fighting is still raging and our armed forces are determined to destroy what has remained of the enemy's force and smash its evil dreams." The communiqué also said Iraqi forces had launched a "lightning offensive" further north, in the central sector of the front.

6 Gulf foreign ministers discuss Iran-Iraq war

BAHRAIN (R) — Foreign ministers of the six-nation Gulf Cooperation Council (GCC), meeting here to prepare for a summit next week, discussed the Gulf war amid reports of renewed fighting between Iraq and Iran conference sources said Tuesday. Iran launched a new attack on the Iraqis in the southern sector of the war front Monday night, only a few hours after the ministers from Saudi Arabia, Kuwait, Bahrain, Qatar, Oman and the United Arab Emirates opened their conference. The war, which has cost some of the Gulf countries billions of dollars in financial aid to Iraq, is certain to be on the agenda of the council summit in Bahrain on Tuesday. The foreign ministers, who met for more than seven hours Monday night, concluded the major part of their discussions Tuesday morning. The official Gulf News Agency said the talks covered political, economic, security and defence issues, but gave no details. The latest peace effort by the six

Sharaf elected chairman of National Mobilisation Committee

AMMAN (J.T.) — The National Consultative Council's (NCC) National Mobilisation Committee Tuesday elected Mr. Laila Sharaf as its chairman and Dr. Mamdouh Al-Abbadi as its rapporteur. The committee was originally called the Follow-up Committee when it was formed to follow up on events after the Israeli invasion of Lebanon in June, and was headed then by NCC member Dr. Jamal Al-Shaar. At a meeting of the NCC on Oct. 4, the council decided to rename the committee and define its role and membership rules. Tuesday's meeting was presided over by NCC Speaker Suleiman Arar and was later followed by another meeting in which the committee defined its functions and duties to be submitted to the NCC for approval.

Strikes, stones mark Balfour anniversary in the West Bank

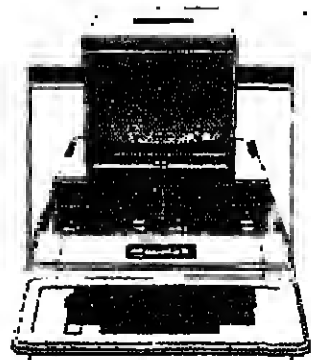
TEL AVIV (R) — Palestinians in the Israeli-occupied West Bank Tuesday marked with strikes and stone-throwing the 65th anniversary of the Balfour Declaration. The declaration, issued by British Foreign Secretary Arthur Balfour in 1917, supported the idea of a "Jewish homeland" in Palestine, which 30 years later became Israel. Police said a Jewish woman passenger was slightly injured when stones were thrown at a bus near Bethlehem. Security forces used tear gas to disperse stone-throwing school children in Nablus, where youngsters also threw stones at merchants who kept their shops open. In East Jerusalem all schools were closed. Shopkeepers ignored the strike call.

U.S. to support resolution for talks on Falkland Islands

UNITED NATIONS (R) — The United States said Tuesday it will vote for a Latin American-sponsored resolution calling for negotiations between Britain and Argentina on the Falkland Islands. U.S. spokesman Joel Blocker told reporters that Washington's decision to support the resolution sponsored by Argentina and 19 other Latin American states had been made at highest government level after careful consideration. The resolution would call on Britain and Argentina to resume negotiations on sovereignty of the windswept south Atlantic island group, reoccupied by a British expeditionary force in June after six weeks fierce fighting and the loss of hundreds of lives on both sides. The U.S. announcement came after Argentine Foreign Minister Juan Aguirre Lanari called in a General Assembly debate for wide support of the draft resolution.

Norway to hunt whales despite ban

OSLO (R) — Norway will continue to hunt whales in the north east Atlantic after 1986 despite a total ban on commercial whaling by the International Whaling Commission (IWC). Fisheries Minister Thor Listau said Tuesday. Mr. Listau told a press conference that some 90 small Norwegian vessels would continue the catch of minke whales fixed at 955 animals for the 1982 season. In Tokyo Foreign Minister Yoshio Sakuruchi said earlier Tuesday that Japan would lodge a formal complaint with the IWC over its ban, imposed in July which he said ran counter to the purpose of the international whaling treaty. Mr. Listau said hunting was justified on the basis of a biological assessment. The catch was also an element in the management of marine resources and whaling was of great regional economic interest to parts of north Norway.



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Petra to brighten London's winter

By Lisa Abu Hamdan
From the Jordan Times

London's winter is brightened by the exhibition of watercolours by British artist Chester Williams.

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When Mr. Williams was in Jordan in April 1981, on the invitation of the Ministry of Tourism and Antiquities, his aim was to paint the same views of Petra that the orientalist David Roberts had painted some 150 years ago. Although painted in his own impressionistic style, Mr. Williams' is inevitably reminiscent of Roberts' classic compositions and placed side by side with a Roberts' print, Mr. Williams' watercolours emphasise how little Petra has changed in the intervening years.

Now Mr. Williams very much wants to return to Jordan, this time to explore Petra, Wadi Rum and Umm Qais more deeply. But three offers, in addition to colour, light and atmosphere, a sense of space on a grand scale.

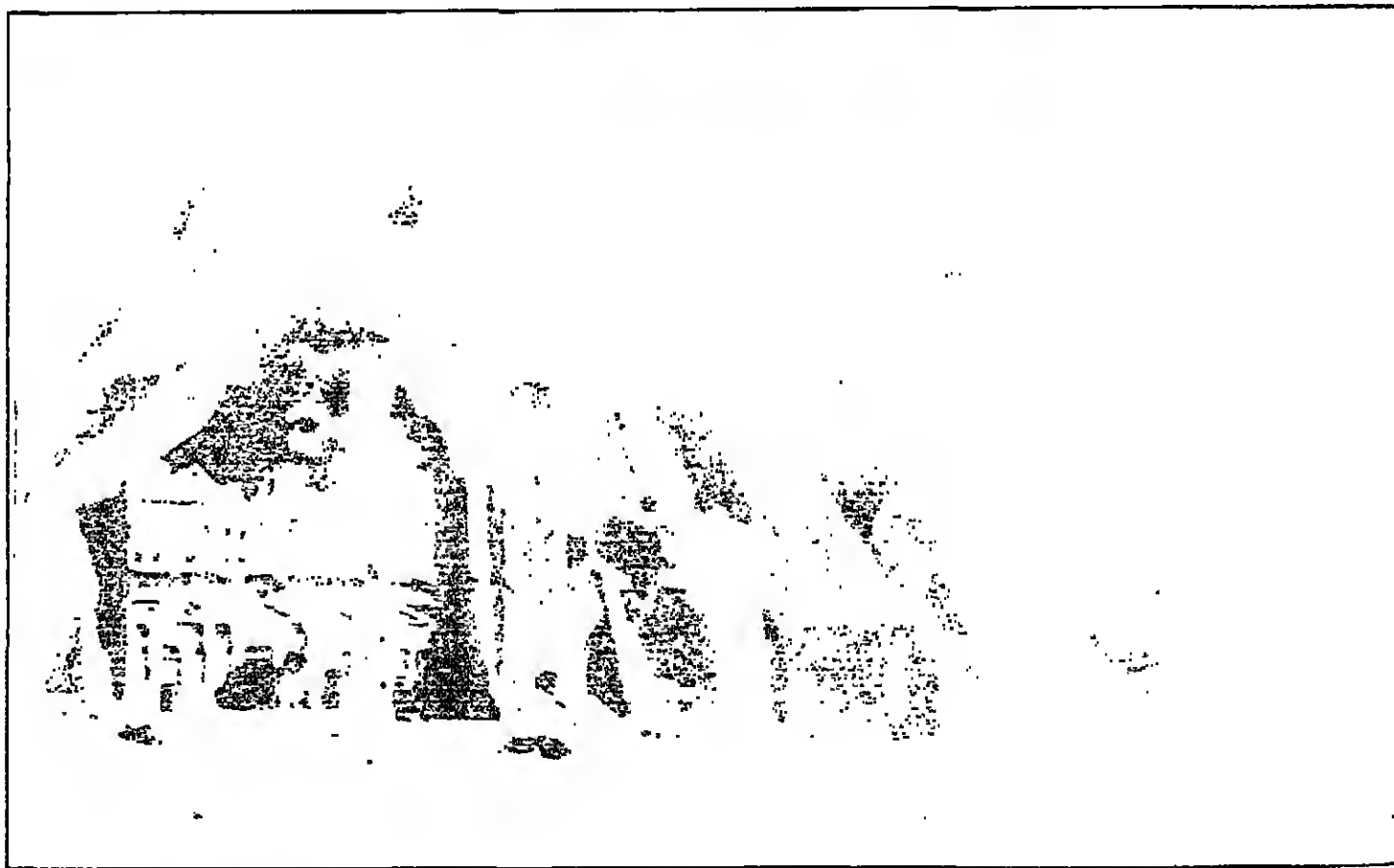
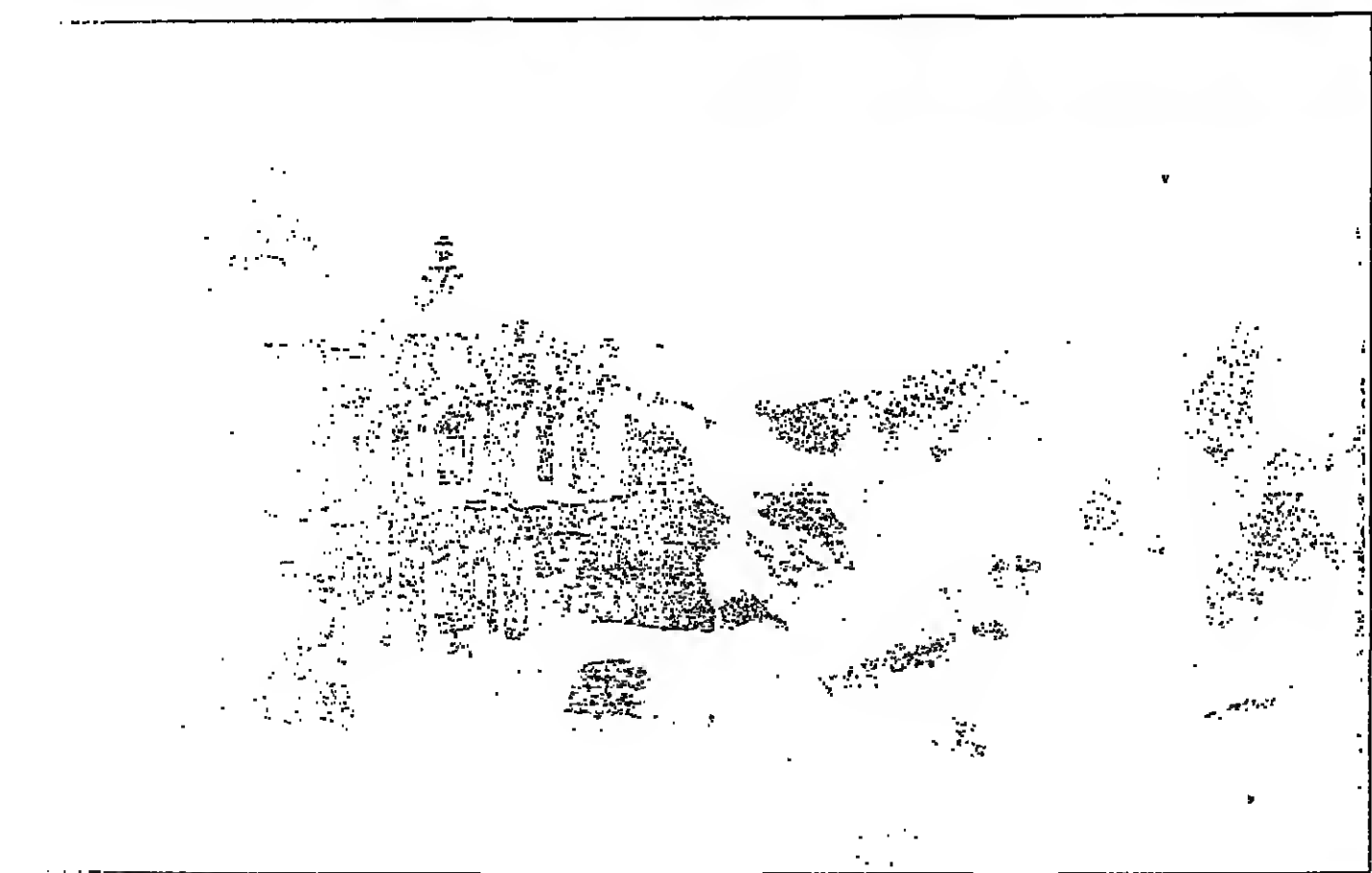
Unfilled Petra and Aspects of Jordan, Mr. Williams' 35 watercolours and nine sketches can be seen at the Patrick Scott Gallery, 2 Molesme Street, London from Nov. 9 to Nov. 26.



Above the Siq, looking over the Souk. 70 cm. 50 cm.



Below: Chester Williams works on his Petra paintings in his studio.



The northern end of the Valley. 50 cm. 70 cm.

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WHAT'S GOING ON

TODAY'S EVENTS

FILMS

Mafek, film by C. de Chabouze, first film of the French Film Week at the Amman Chamber of Industry at 8:30 p.m.

The Man Who Shot Liberty Valance, John Ford, at the American Centre at 6:00 p.m.

LECTURE

Nabataean Classicism, and An Architecture of Particular Inclination, by Dr. Malcolm Quantrill at the Goethe Institute at 7:00 p.m.

CULTURAL CENTRES

American Centre tel. 41820
 British Council 361475
 French Cultural Centre 37009
 Goethe Institute 41003
 Soviet Cultural Centre 44203
 Spanish Cultural Centre 25220
 Turkish Cultural Centre 39005
 Hayat Art Centre 667105
 Hussein Youth City 667181
 W.C.C.A. 41793
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 University Jordan Library 361111
 University of Jordan Library 74255

MUSEUMS

Jordan Museum: Jewels and antiquities over 100 years old. Also comes from Madaba and Jerash 14th to 18th centuries. The Roman Theatre, Amman. Opening hours: 9:00 a.m. - 5 p.m. Year-round. Tel. 51501

Jordan Archaeological Museum: Has an excellent collection of the antiquities of Jordan. Jabal Al Qafra (Ciudad Real). Opening hours: 9:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. Fridays and official holidays 10:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Closed Tuesdays.

Jordan National Gallery: Contains a collection of paintings, ceramics, and sculpture by contemporary Arab artists from most of the Muslim countries; a collection of paintings by 19th Century orientalist artists, Munazzaf Jabal Al Qafra. Opening hours: 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. and 3:30 p.m. - 6:00 p.m. Closed Tuesdays. Tel. 30123.

SERVICE CLUBS

First Amman Club. Meetings at 1st and 3rd Wednesday at the recreational Hotel, 1:30 p.m.

Second Philadelphia Club. Meetings every second and fourth Wednesday, the Grand Palace Hotel, 1:30 p.m.

Philadelphia Rotary Club. Meetings every Wednesday at the Holiday Inn, 1:30 p.m.

Rotary Club. Meetings every Tuesday at the Intercontinental Hotel, 2:00 p.m.

Royal Automobile Club, Jabal Amman. Tel. 415721

CHURCHES

St. Joseph Church (Roman Catholic) Jabal Amman, tel. 24549

Church of the Annunciation (Roman Catholic) Jabal Alweidheh, 27440

De la Salle Church (Roman Catholic) Jabal Hussein, 66725

Church of the Annunciation (Orthodox) Abdali, 25541

Anglican Church (Church of the East) Jabal Abdali, 25541

Armenian Catholic Church (Armenian) 71331

Armenian Orthodox Church (Armenian) 75261

St. Ephraim Church (Syrian Orthodox) 71331

Armenian Apostolic Church (Armenian) Seminars meet at South Bapstus School in Sherekan, 66732

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Tal says examinations aim to assess students' abilities and tendencies

AMMAN (Petra) — Minister of Education Sa'id Al Tal stressed during a meeting Tuesday at the ministry that examinations held by the ministry aim in the first place at assessing the learner's abilities and tendencies.

The comprehensive examination for polytechnic school students has been one of the ministry's most important accomplishments, despite some negative aspects resulting from educational conditions that prevailed prior to its application, the minister said.

The secondary school general certificate (tawjihi) examination needs to be modernised by implementing technological facilities available, Dr. Tal said.

The meeting was attended by Ministry of Education Under-Secretary Abdul Latif Arabiat and senior ministry officials.

Dr. Tal is scheduled to preside over a meeting Thursday of the ministry's Planning and Coordination Committee to consider working papers presented by several ministry departments and committees on organisational issues and rural development centre in Ma'di.

Minister opens reshuffled education council session

AMMAN (Petra) — Minister of Education Sa'id Al Tal said Tuesday in the opening session of the reshuffled educational council, that the council represents the leading intellectual body of the educational institution in Jordan. "It carries responsibility for the realisation of qualitative progress in the educational process in the country," he said.

One of the most crucial problems facing the development of education in Jordan is the use of schools for more than one shift, as this impedes the use of school buildings for extra-curricular activities, Dr. Tal said. Development of ministry employees' conditions is also necessary, and more facilities and services are needed, he added.

The new educational council has been restructured upon amendment of its regulations. The council, now headed by Dr. Tal, includes in its membership: Sheikh Ibrahim Qattan, Dr. Bashir Al Sabbagh, Mr. Touqan Al Hindawi, Dr. Abdul Salam Al Majali, Dr. Ishaq Al Farhan, Mr. Adnan Abu Odeh, Mr. Ali Khreis, Mr. Mohammed Nuri Shafiq, Mr. Hikmat Al Sakiti, Mr. Basil Jaradneh, Dr. Abdul Latif Arabiat, Mr. Munther Al Masri, Mr. Zelnah Radnoko, Dr. Ali Abdul Razzag, Dr. Ahmad Bashairah and Dr. Izzat Jaradat.

Gaza elders appeal to U.N. to revoke UNRWA decision

AMMAN (Petra) — Palestinian elders in refugee camps in the occupied Gaza Strip have denounced in a letter to United Nations General Assembly president and members the decision taken by the United Nations Relief and Works Agency for Palestine refugees (UNRWA) to suspend food rations to Palestinian refugees in the West Bank, Gaza and other Arab host countries, as of Nov. 1, 1982.

The Gaza refugee elders stressed the need to revoke the UNRWA decision, and guarantee resumption of basic services regularly rendered to Palestinian refugees. The letter refuted the allegations made by UNRWA to justify its suspension of services, and called for the securing of funds necessary for UNRWA budget to carry on its responsibilities, and improve educational and medical services offered to refugees.

The Gaza refugee elders sent a similar message to Arab League Secretary-General Chadli Klibi.



His Royal Highness Prince Hassan, on a tour of 18 villages Tuesday, listens to a villager who reads out the needs of his village. (Petra photo)

Hassan calls for proper exploitation of farmland

AMMAN (Petra) — His Royal Highness Crown Prince Hassan Tuesday called for the exploitation of farming land, and providing farmers with machinery and equipment needed for raising the standards of agricultural production.

The Crown Prince in a speech to villagers during an inspection tour of 18 villages in the Taibeh, Wasitieh and Kura districts in Irbid Governorate, stressed that farming problems should be tackled and solved, and public land should be reclaimed and properly exploited, implementing modern mechanisation methods.

He expressed his belief in the need to set up a model farming project to render services to farmers in the Ghor region.

In an apparent reference to the influx of villagers to cities, Prince Hassan concentrated on the importance of "returning to the land, protecting it and developing its productivity through a comprehensive perspective."

Prince Hassan appreciated the role played by Shafa Al Ghor area in the development processes and plans and the production of foodstuff necessary for the country.

He also expressed hope that the "coming decade will witness a leap in production, on the contrary to the present one, being that of services."

The Prince stressed that Jordan, under the leadership of His Majesty King Hussein has seen great developments in compliance with the King's "far-sighted, clear and patriotic leadership, based on morals and love of the land."

The Prince listened during his tour to the citizens' requests and needs.

He was accompanied on the tour by Minister of Municipal and Rural Affairs and the Environment Hassan Al Momani, the European Economic Community (EEC) representative in Amman and a number of senior government officials.

Seminar focuses on methods to prevent road accidents

By Affah A. Kaloti
Special to the Jordan Times

AMMAN — A seminar on the Role of Citizens and Associations in Decreasing and Preventing Road Accidents was held Tuesday at the Amman Chamber of Commerce.

The one-day seminar was organised by the Jordan Society for the Prevention of Road Accidents.

an "acute problem in our society." "The aim of this meeting is to identify the role of citizens and the [JSPRA] which was established in 1975. Fourteen working-papers were presented and discussed by various ministries, public directorates and associations in Jordan."

Dr. Rawhi Al Sharif, from the JSPRA and the moderator of the seminar, said that road accidents is

one of the most serious problems facing the citizens' needs and security, and to preserve the accomplishments of the society," Mr. Obeidat said that a new traffic law is about to be published, pointing out that this required the cooperation of all, including the media, to reduce traffic accidents and protect the lives of citizens.

"The better use of public transportation is being seriously studied in order to decrease the number of small vehicles," the minister of interior said.

The seminar's working papers were submitted by the ministries of education, public works, health, social development, the Public Security Directorate, the University of Jordan, Yarmouk University, the Royal Scientific Society, the associations of engineers

and doctors, the JSPRA and the Royal Automobile Club. All of them acknowledged the seriousness of the problem and agreed that the main factors which cause road accidents are: the human being, the driver as well as the pedestrian, roads and vehicles.

In Jordan 13 people get killed every 10 days and 24 others get injured daily, the paper said. It commented that the number of road accidents is very high and should be prevented at all costs.

The Ministry of Health compared the number of deaths caused by cholera and road accidents in 1981. Statistics showed that six deaths caused by the former, while 457 deaths were the result of the latter.



Minister of Interior Ahmad Obeidat (right) and Minister of Health Zuhair Malhas (left) Tuesday listen to a speaker at a seminar organised by the Jordan Society for the Prevention of Road Accidents (Petra photo)

Exiled president of Al Najah to address GUVS seminar

AMMAN (J.T.) — The exiled president of Al Najah University in the occupied West Bank, Dr. Munzer Salah will address a one-day seminar at the Professional Associations Complex Thursday.

The seminar, organised by the General Union of Voluntary Societies (GUVS), will hear Dr. Salah's first-hand account of the impact of the Israeli occupation on the education system as a whole in the occupied territories.

Dr. Salah, along with several

other Jordanian teachers, was deported by the Israeli occupation authorities for refusing to sign a statement pledging not to support the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO). The Israeli authorities have also deported several non-Arab professors and lecturers at the university for refusing to comply with the demand.

GUVS members as well as all exiled academic staff from Al Najah University will take part in Thursday's seminar.

VTC receives equipment for Zarqa training centre

AMMAN (Petra) — The Vocational Training Corporation (VTC) has received equipment and instruments for its training centre in Zarqa, it was announced Tuesday.

The purchase of the equipment and instruments was financed by the European Economic Community (EEC) under an agreement the VTC signed with the community in 1980.

The equipments, costing about JD 200,000, will be installed during the next month.

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Courses in patience technology

IN SOME Western countries, ministries, institutions or universities run courses for businessmen on what they call necessary knowledge for doing business in the Arab World. They tell them, among other things, that to be successful with the Arabs one has to watch out for a keyword: patience. Many deals failed because Western executives and salesmen had tired of "preliminary courtesies" and given up, some of the experts argue.

We do not know about preliminary courtesies, but we certainly agree that in order to do business in the Arab World not only our Western friends but also Arabs themselves need to have a lot of patience. In Jordan, however, the problem is further complicated by the fact that when it comes to going about their own business, Jordanians do in fact like speedy performance.

While we do believe that patience is a

gift of God, we do not really agree that agreements should be delayed and roads left unpaved for otherwise unbelievable reasons. When we wait to license our cars or get our pensions paid, we, just like the rest of the world, hardly like to invoke our religious beliefs, except of course in moments of despair. When we need a telephone installed in our home or office, we rarely call off the search, just because it is mission impossible, and seek perseverance rather than patience.

We try this to cope with the requirements of our lives as best as we can, and, quite often, we are able to do it.

Fortunately, our development process in Jordan has been speedy and heralds a success story. Still, we are fully aware that unless efforts are constantly doubled to cope with new challenges and emerging opportunities, our people too may need to take courses in patience technology.

JORDAN'S ARABIC PRESS EDITORIALS

Al Ra'i: Put all efforts behind Jordanian-Palestinian unity

His Majesty King Hussein's message Monday to Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO) leader Yasser Arafat dealt with the outcome of Jordan's contacts over the Palestinian issue and the coordination and cooperation between the PLO and Jordan.

Also a statement Monday by Bethlehem Mayor Elias Freij calling for speeding up a formula of a confederation between the two banks of River Jordan reflects both sides' keenness on further strengthening their cohesion with the aim of regaining the usurped lands.

Thus the Jordanian-Palestinian joint action forms a "central power" which both sides should employ to regain the occupied territories.

No doubt the sufferings of people on both sides

of the river has been the driving force behind their decision to consolidate their efforts and to form a confederation.

The Arab countries, upon remembering the Balfour Declaration which laid the basis for Israel's aggression are called on to strengthen the Jordanian-Palestinian unity that stands like a dam holding back the Israeli flood of evil and preventing it from obliterating their very existence.

The Balfour Declaration was a promise of evil, but now the Arabs should issue another promise: a promise of a bright future for their coming generations. This promise must be represented in a strong Arab support for the Jordanian-Palestinian plans that are designed to end injustice and darkness.

Al Dustour: How do we interpret Washington's silence now?

Observers of political developments have lately been watching a race between the American administration and Israel over the settlement policy in the occupied Arab territories and have become convinced that the Reagan administration is not as it claims to be keen on maintaining its respect and credibility before the world.

Ever since the moment Mr. Reagan declared his initiative to solve the Middle East issue, Israel's Prime Minister Menachem Begin has been relentlessly working towards crushing it in a manner that would prove to the world America's impotence of shouldering its responsibility as a superpower to preserve peace or establish justice in our region.

Reports about a suggestion by Israel's ambassador in Washington that Israel freeze its settlement programmes for six months is in fact part of the American-Israeli race.

No doubt Israel's refusal to halt the programme for a limited period falls in line with the Zionist declared policy of rejecting any discussion over the future of the West Bank and the Gaza Strip.

But, the Israeli refusal has exposed Washington as an ally of Israel, accepting what she accepts and refusing what is not in harmony with her plans. Let us not forget that Israel continues to reject peace or any withdrawal from the occupied Arab territories.

In reply to U.S. ambassador's suggestion, Israel promptly declared that work will soon start on the establishment of six new settlements on Arab land. The announcement is clearly intended to nip Mr. Reagan's plan in the bud. Washington's silence would definitely harm its prestige as a superpower and would also place a big question mark over its intentions and its role as a supporter of peace.

The whole world realises the fact that Israel cannot take a single step without Washington's approval. It cannot opt for war or peace without consulting first with the American administration which is Israel's main source of economic, political and military power. Washington's failure to act now will no doubt make it pay a very high price in the future.

SCIENCE & INDUSTRY By Dr. Awn Rifai

How to improve global weather forecasting

Weather prediction in some countries has become dependent on the improvements in electronic instruments and the computers that analyse their data. Since accurate forecasting of the climatic conditions is becoming increasingly important, the development of the needed instruments has been largely boosted.

The forecasts produced every day in hundreds of cities around the globe are based on information generated by a complex electronic network. Data is collected by thousands of earth satellite stations in almost all countries and by polar-orbiting and geostationary satellites.

The information is relayed by telecommunications networks and fed into computers to generate predictions used by local forecasters.

The inadequacy of the data and of the computer models used to predict weather patterns, combined with the speed limitations of the computerised systems, limit the performance of the technique adopted and lead to erroneous forecasting.

Hence, scientists are working on improving the information media and computer modelling so as to provide a satisfactory

short-term and long-term forecasting.

At present, data is collected every day starting at 00 and 12 o'clock GMT. Information on surface winds, pressures and temperatures at 4640 land stations and 740 ships around the globe is passed on to a few regional weather centres for distribution to the various countries.

Airborne and satellite transmitted reports supplement the information by means of about 900 balloon-borne radiosondes, buoys at sea, air-liners, polar and geostationary satellites, visible, infra-red and microwave imaging instruments.

Many techniques have been developed to improve the computer models and their data bases. More efficient models and faster hardware have resulted in more prediction accuracy for 36-hour forecasts, but the reliability of longer forecasts dwindles rapidly.

Weekly forecasts are mainly a question of chance, and monthly forecasts depend largely on the experience and skill of meteorologists. The reason why long-term forecasts are difficult to make is that, unlike the shorter predictions, they do

not rely heavily on detailed data of upwind weather patterns.

Therefore, long-term forecasts require more accurate modelling of the physical interactions that underlie weather phenomena. This is a complicated task to perform.

The scientific and technological progress over the past few years has permitted climate model-makers to predict that accurate long-term forecasts may be available in the near future.

At present, a main application of the models is in simulating climatic changes that may occur because of human intervention, such as the carbon dioxide content of the atmosphere through continued consumption of fossil fuels.

Other simulations are assisting in the formulation of policies regarding forest-clearing programmes and the like. The accurate simulation of climatic change may influence land management policies and forewarn the governments of their possible consequences.

Thus, the development of more reliable technical systems is expected to come to even farther-reaching national and international applications.

Kohl promises West Germans 'historic new beginning'

By Paul Taylor
 Reuters

viewed in honour guard and for getting his bare to the flag

Pathos and platitudes

BONN — In his first month as West German Chancellor, Helmut Kohl of the Christian Democratic Union (CDU) has acted like a man in a hurry.

Elected by Parliament on Oct 1 in a vote that ousted Chancellor Helmut Schmidt of the Social Democratic Party (SDP), Mr. Kohl rapidly set about tackling the country's serious budget problems and has tried to adopt the air of statesmanship which marked his predecessor.

The centre-right Kohl government sworn in on Oct. 4 at first looked to many like an uneasy transitional administration, shackled by its own promise of a general election next March.

But Mr. Kohl now seems set for a lengthier stay in power, thanks more to Mr. Schmidt's decision not to contest the March poll than to any achievement of the new government.

Wary of politics after the prolonged manoeuvring that led to Mr. Schmidt's fall, West Germans have unwillingly been plunged into what threatens to be their longest election campaign ever.

Aides say the new chancellor's strategy is to set out his programme, emphasising centrist policies, while blaming the Social Democrats for the dramatic rise in unemployment which is bound to come this winter.

His first policy statement to Parliament met both those aims. He promised West Germans a "historic new beginning" but said he had inherited the worst economic crisis since the Federal Republic was founded in 1949.

In a mere 17 days, the Kohl Government drafted a new 1983 budget with higher spending and greater public borrowing than its left-liberal predecessors had planned. Defending the steep rise in state credit, Finance Minister Gerhard Stoltenberg said Mr. Schmidt's team had been working with phoney figures.

"The burden of inheritance is even heavier than we feared," he said. For the sake of social balance, the new administration, pledged to strengthening the Western alliance, even lopped 100 million marks (\$40 million) off next year's defence budget, which was expected to show no real growth anyway.

The government has made clear it is leaving more drastic, and less popular, savings until after election day on March 6.

Mr. Kohl's frantic pace of diplomatic activity, and his highly rhetorical style, have received mixed reviews at home. He impressed French President Francois Mitterrand by flying to Paris for talks on the day his government took office.

But the conservative Frankfurt Allgemeine Zeitung commented that he paid his respects at the Elysee Palace "faster than native chiefs in the days of France's colonial empire."

When Mr. Mitterrand came to Bonn as his first official guest the new chancellor betrayed his unfamiliarity with protocol by walking on the wrong side as they reviewed the honour guard.

Many West Germans still doubt whether Mr. Kohl has the stature to be chancellor.

The illustrated magazine Stern summed up a review of his first weeks in office with the question: "Helmut Kohl — a chancellor of the new middle, or of the new mediocrity?"

The Houdini of Irish politics

DUBLIN — Irish Prime Minister Charles Haughey, beset by a rising budget deficit, growing foreign debts and discontent within his own party, faces a winter fight for political survival before he can get to grips with the crisis.

Mr. Haughey has revived his economic policy in the hope of weathering the storm but the question is whether he can cling to power long enough to put his new plans into practice. The chances of the troubled republic facing another general election soon—there have been two in the past 16 months—are considered high.

Mr. Haughey, who took over in March this year, has seen his power base whittled away as some of his own supporters, including two cabinet ministers, blamed him for failing to get rising spending and debts under control.

When the Dail (parliament) resumed this week after the summer recess, Mr. Haughey found his Fianna Fail Party three short of a simple majority, due to the recent death of a member of parliament and the serious illness of another.

The opposition, led by former Prime Minister Garret Fitzgerald, has the support of a similar number of members, leaving the balance of power with three members of the radical left-wing Workers' Party.

The three said last week they would oppose Mr. Haughey's new economic plan, a threat which could put Mr. Haughey's survival in jeopardy if the opposition tries to turn a vote on the plan into a no-confidence motion.

Many political observers think, however, that the prime minister may find a way to prevent such a vote. His political career seemed at an end in 1970 when, as finance minister, he was tried for alleged smuggling of weapons to the underground Irish Republican Army (IRA) fighting British troops in Northern Ireland. He was acquitted.

Earlier this year, the Irish Attorney-General and Mr. Haughey's longtime friend, Patrick Connolly, resigned after a young man wanted for two brutal murders was found living in his apartment. Again, Mr. Haughey survived the political fire.

Earlier this month, critics within his own Fianna Fail forced a vote of no-confidence in his leadership among the party's Dail members.

The critics said the prime minister's style of leadership was arrogant and his economic policies inadequate. Mr. Haughey won by 58 to 22 but the number who voted against him, in an open hall, surprised most political observers.

The Irish Republic has had the highest growth rate in the European Community since it joined in 1973. It has one of the highest investment rates in the world but, with revenue insufficient, it has

had to burden itself increasingly with foreign debts.

Spiralling budget deficits have necessitated further foreign debts, currently totalling some five billion Irish pounds (\$6.7 billion). Interest payments on these debts this year are costing some 500 million Irish pounds (\$675 million).

The budget deficit, foreseen as 670 million Irish pounds (\$915 million) for this year, is already believed to be around a billion Irish pounds (\$1.35 billion) and independent economists believe it could reach 1.3 billion (\$1.7 billion).

Adding to Dublin's problems, inflation reached 21 per cent this year although it has now eased to 17 per cent and unemployment is running at around 13 per cent.

With his new plan, entitled "the way forward", the prime minister hopes to make a fresh start at tackling these problems, provided he can hang on to the job.

The plan is to phase out the budget deficit by 1986, reducing the need for injections of foreign cash. To cut the deficit, reductions of up to 900 million Irish pounds (\$1.2 billion) in public spending are envisaged over the four-year period.

Whatever its merits, the opposition may well try to turn debate on the plan into a move to oust Mr. Haughey in the coming weeks. Few political analysts, however, would put much money on the fall of the man who has been dubbed "the Houdini of Irish politics" because of his knack of surviving.

— Reuters

How far will Washington go?

By Harvey Morris
 Reuters

LONDON — A question posed persistently in the Arab World, as the United States speeds up its Middle East diplomacy, is how far Washington will go in forcing Israel to give ground in a regional peace settlement.

Despite a shift in U.S. policy in the aftermath of Israel's invasion of Lebanon, many Arab officials still doubt that President Reagan is prepared to impose the sanctions they feel are needed to break the hardline stand of Menachem Begin's government.

The suspicions about U.S. intentions are greatest in the radical Arab states and within the Palestine Liberation Organisation (PLO).

But even among the radicals there is a recognition, which emerged clearly at a summit of Arab leaders in Morocco in September, that only the Americans can open the way to a comprehensive solution in the region.

U.S. policy, which seemed highly favourable to Israel when the Reagan administration took office almost two years ago, is now diametrically opposed to the Israeli government's stand on a number of fundamental issues.

The key factor in the Middle East equation is the future of the West Bank, occupied by Israel

since 1967. Although the latest U.S. and Arab peace plans differ both sides agree the West Bank and its Palestinian inhabitants should not remain under Israeli control.

Washington would like to see it as an autonomous Palestinian homeland federated with Jordan while the Arabs want it as the site of a future Palestinian state.

Both viewpoints are rejected by Mr. Begin's government, which considers the West Bank as an integral part of the historic land of Israel.

Washington has so far declined to get tough with Mr. Begin, despite his gruff rejection of U.S. peace moves. U.S. officials argue that heavy pressure on Israel would only harden the Israeli position.

Western officials nevertheless believe the administration, now at mid-term, is not prepared to see a continuing stalemate in the peace process.

Although the Middle East is now the focus of U.S. foreign policy, Western diplomats see Washington's future strategy as linked to the wider question of America's global interests and relations with the Soviet Union.

Moscow has been frozen out of the Middle East conflict, both by Washington's success in taking the diplomatic initiative and also by its own failure to come to the rescue

of the Arabs in time of crisis.

Mr. Reagan launched his presidency with a pledge to curb Soviet expansionism and sought a strategic alliance in the Middle East to counter an alleged Soviet threat.

The pro-Western conservative Arab states tried to convince the administration that the Arab World faced a greater threat from Israel than it did from the Soviet Union.

The administration now appears to have gone some way towards accepting the Arab thesis by acknowledging that a settlement of the Palestinian questions is essential for regional peace. In U.S. terms, stability in the Middle East will deny Moscow the opportunity of "fishing in troubled waters."

Middle East analysts note that the priorities of Israel are not the same as Washington's.

Israel is concerned with its own territorial security, even if this can only be maintained by keeping the Arab World weak, divided and unstable. It believes its military superiority over the Arabs is the surest guarantee of survival.

The conservative Arabs are bent on convincing President Reagan that the future of their regimes is threatened by Israel's intransigence.

The question that the Arab World is putting to the U.S. administration is — failure to meet Pal-

estian aspirations will cause radical unrest among the Arab masses. Such unrest will lead to the overthrow of pro-Western regimes. The ensuing instability will damage Western interests and create openings for Moscow.

Some Arab leaders believe the Arab World is already courting a radical backlash by going along too closely with U.S. diplomacy without adequate guarantees that Washington is prepared to put decisive pressure on Israel.

Such reservations are not confined to the radicals. Western diplomats report deep differences within the Saudi leadership, with hardliners arguing King Fahd is too close to Washington.

Current diplomacy is concentrated on reconciling the Reagan plan for peace in the Middle East with an Arab proposal, put forward in Morocco, that amounts to a call for a Palestinian state in return for recognition of Israel.

Washington has pledged that it will not abandon its peace plan just because it has been rejected by Mr. Begin. The administration "will not turn and run", Defence Secretary Caspar Weinberger said recently.

But as yet there are no public indications that Mr. Reagan is prepared to cut the U.S. economic lifeline to Israel if Mr. Begin fails to come to heel.



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FEATURES

Cubans turn to talented technicians because of Washington's trade embargo

By Jose Katigbak
Reuter

HAVANA — Washington's trade and financial embargo against Communist Cuba is turning Cubans into innovators and inventors to keep vital industry going.

"Necessity is the mother of invention," said technician Guillermo Garcia as he laboriously tried to rethread an old screw manually to fit one of his machines.

Foreign residents in Havana say Cuban mechanics can repair just

about everything by cannibalising spare parts, or turning out makeshift components.

An indication of their talent is that 30-year-old American cars are still a common sight in Havana's streets.

Cuba suffers from a shortage of hard currency and its ability to buy vital imports from the West is limited.

The dire lack of spare parts in the country led to the creation six years ago of a national Association of Innovators and Rationalisers (ANIR) and the birth of a thriving spare-parts restoration

industry.

According to Verde Olivo, the Cuban armed forces magazine, experts and workers in general spend extra hours each day in "imaginative work" to turn out replacement parts to counter production problems "created every instant as a consequence of the imperialist blockade."

The U.S. imposed its embargo in 1962 following the severing of relations with the government of Fidel Castro. Officials here estimate that the embargo has since cost Cuba about \$9 billion in lost business or financial opportunities

and more expensive imports.

This year alone, the estimated cost for Cuba is about \$2 billion.

Although about 80 per cent of Cuba's trade is with socialist countries, Cuban leaders openly admit their nation is suffering from the consequences of the U.S. embargo.

Last month Cuba officially asked its capitalist creditors to let it delay its loan repayments, complaining that its hard currency reserves were low.

It asked banks in France, Japan, Spain, West Germany and other non-Communist nations to allow

it to postpone payments on debts of \$1.3 billion due between now and 1985 and to give it 10 years to repay the loans.

The request for negotiations on the rescheduling of the \$1.3 billion, part of a total \$3.5 billion that Havana owes in convertible currencies, follows a continuing slide in world prices of sugar, Cuba's main dollar revenue earner.

The Cuban proposal for rescheduling its medium and long-term external debt hinges on three main points:

-- Postponement of repayments

of principal due between now and 1985 with rescheduled payments to be made over 10 years including three years' grace.

-- Cuba will continue interest payments on all outstanding debts and honour letters of credit.

-- Short-term debts will not be affected provided short-term credit facilities continue to be made available to Cuba at existing levels.

Diplomatic sources said representatives from France, Italy, Japan, Sweden and Spain were

due in Havana later this month to work out the rescheduling programme.

"Argentina is also an important creditor but it's not clear how much Cuba owes it or if the Argentine loans are subject to rescheduling," one diplomat said.

In addition to its debts to the non-Communist world, Cuba is also believed to owe the Soviet Union between \$7 and 9 billion.

Cuba's debts to the Soviet Union were rescheduled in 1972, with repayments due to start in 1986.

Because of its financial difficulties, diplomatic sources said Cuba planned to restrict the overall growth of the economy to keep hard-currency imports to a minimum.

Before the announcement of Cuba's financial crisis, the government forecast economic growth this year would rise beyond 2.5 per cent, compared with 12 per cent growth in 1981 after a poor year in 1980.

"In the light of its problems, there might even be no growth at all this year," a foreign economist said.

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SPORTS

Baseball commissioner Kuhn to be replaced by club owners

CHICAGO (R) — Major League club owners voted Tuesday to replace Bowie Kuhn as baseball commissioner.

The American and National Leagues held separate meetings on whether to retain Kuhn, who began his first term as commissioner in 1969.

Kuhn needed three-quarters of the vote in both leagues—10 of the 14 teams in the American and nine of 12 in the National—to keep his job.

He survived the American League vote, 11-3 in his favour, but met his downfall in the National League balloting, which was only 7-5 to retain him.

The club owners decided not to

reveal what teams voted against Kuhn in the National League. But baseball sources said the five probably were the St. Louis Cardinals, Houston Astros, New York Mets, Atlanta Braves and Chicago Cubs.

It was not immediately known if the club owners would ask Kuhn to stay on until his seven-year contract expired in August 1983 or whether they would appoint a successor immediately.

When he became commissioner in 1969, Kuhn succeeded retired U.S. army general William Eckert. Kuhn was elected to a second seven-year term in 1975, although some club owners tried to oust him at that time.

The first commissioner was Judge Kenesaw Mountain Landis, appointed in 1920 after the post was created as a result of the "Black Sox" scandal in the 1919 World Series.

Several months after that series, some of the Chicago White Sox players confessed they had accepted money from gamblers to "fix" some games, letting the Cincinnati Reds win the best-of-nine series 5-3.

Albert Chandler, a former governor of Kentucky, and Ford Frick, a former sports journalist, served as commissioners between the regimes of Landis and Eckert.

South Australia's batting halts England's drive for resounding win

ADELAIDE (R) — England's hopes of scoring a resounding victory over South Australia faded Tuesday in the face of some spirited middle and late order batting by the state side.

The touring team, who had begun the third day with high hopes of enforcing a follow-on.

Soviets lead Chess Olympiad

LUCERNE (R) — The Soviet Union has taken the lead in the World Chess Olympiad, with 0.5 points out of a possible 1.2, after beating the United States 3-1 in the third round of play.

The Soviet players are followed by Yugoslavia and West Germany, equal second with 10 points, and England, Czechoslovakia, Sweden and Switzerland, all with 9.5 points.

The U.S., Hungary, Argentina and Indonesia all with nine points come next, followed by the Netherlands, Cuba, Canada, Denmark and China with 8.5 points.

In the women's Olympiad, the surprising Chinese continue to lead with eight points out of a possible nine after three rounds of play, while the Soviet Union is second with 7.5 points.

ended the day struggling to keep out the state side's spinners.

They were 90 for four in their second innings at the close—a lead of 238. Wednesday is the final day.

Leg spinner Peter Sleep was the man to put the skids under England in the final session. Turning the ball appreciably, he trapped Geoff Cook leg before for five and then bowled Allan Lamb for 17.

Graeme Fowler, desperately in need of a big score to clinch a place in the England side for the first test beginning in Perth next week, was dismissed in bizarre fashion for only 12 after putting on 41 for the first wicket with Chris Tavaré.

Tavaré drove a delivery from Andrew Sincock straight back at the bowler who spilled a difficult chance. But Sincock deflected the ball onto the stumps, running out Fowler who was backing up.

When South Australia resumed their first innings Tuesday morning at 118 for four still needing 225 to avoid the possibility of following on, skipper David Hookes and Sleep carried the fight to England.

They took their fifth wicket stand at 105 before Sleep was caught at slip off Cook.

Hookes, watched by the full panel of Australian selectors, clearly enhanced his chances of a recall for the Perth test by hammering a hellacious 74 before falling to a bat-pad catch off Eddie Hemmings.

Hookes has now amassed 458 runs in five first class innings this season at an average of 91.6.

The match was robbed of nine minutes play this afternoon when the players took a break to watch the Melbourne Cup horse race on television.

American footballers submit new proposals for ending strike

NEW YORK (A.P.) — Negotiators for the U.S. National Football League's striking players formally submitted early Monday morning a three-year, \$1.1-billion-dollar package, a counter-proposal to the owners' \$1.2-billion-dollar proposal.

The union proposal was first reviewed by the player representatives assembled at the negotiation site, a midtown Manhattan hotel, then was presented to the management council.

After 45 minutes, the talks recessed to give management an opportunity to study the proposal. No time was announced for the start of Monday's bargaining session.

The strike has affected six weeks of the 16-week regular season and the League has insisted play would be resumed by Nov. 7 in order to have a "credible season."

Earlier Sunday, union officials expressed dissatisfaction with major elements of the owners' plan, saying it failed to address three of the union's five essential demands—protection for veterans, the union's right to collectively bargain for incentive bonuses and a percentage of the League's television revenues.

The essentials of the union's proposed three-year (1982-84) package include:

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Gurner's Lane wins Melbourne Cup

MELBOURNE (R) — Gurner's Lane became the first horse in 16 years to win the Caulfield-Melbourne Cup double in the same season when he raced to a neck victory over Kingston Town in Tuesday's Melbourne Cup.

Ridden by Queensland jockey Mick Dittman, Gurner's Lane came from a seemingly hopeless position on the home turn to take the lead in the final 20 yards.

Kingston Town, the sentimental favourite at 6-1, went to the front two furlongs out and appeared to have the cup won. Trainer Tommy Smith said he thought Kingston town had hung on and was amazed when Gurner's Lane's number went up.

Third place went to Noble Comment who was close to the leaders throughout.

After achieving one of Aus-

tralian racing's greatest training feats in taking both the Melbourne and Caulfield Cups, trainer Geoff Murphy gave the credit to Dittman.

"That was the greatest ride I've ever seen," he said. "I gave Mick no instructions before the race. I let him ride his own race and he did the rest."

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FISA, FOCA to discuss new Grand Prix racing regulations

PARIS (R) — Final agreement on rules governing Grand Prix motor racing in 1983 will be sought at a meeting here Wednesday.

Officials of the International Motor Sport Federation (FISA), the sport's governing body, and the Formula One Constructors' Association (FOCA) will discuss the implementation of new Grand Prix regulations.

FISA approved a series of rule changes here last month but under the sport's Concorde Agreement they need also to be endorsed by FOCA before being introduced.

The main debate at Wednesday's meeting is likely to concern when the changes, the most controversial of which is the banning of "skirts" to reduce cornering speed, should come into effect.

FISA would like them introduced at the start of the year but FOCA are seeking a delay at least until the start of the European season in April.

FISA officials say the new rules are aimed at curbing the speed at which cars travel, especially round corners where the crowd too are particularly vulnerable. There have been a number of attacks on current cars with claims that higher speeds are bringing with them great dangers.

In addition to banning "skirts", the flaps which close the gap between car and track to give more grip and therefore greater cornering speed, FISA are seeking to abolish four-wheel drive and six-wheeled cars. This would rule out the new Williams car which transmits power through four of its six rear wheels.

Sportsmen from Britain, U.S. top U.N. 'blacklist'

UNITED NATIONS (R) — Sportsmen from Britain and the United States continue to be the main offenders against a United Nations' sports boycott of South Africa, according to the latest U.N. "blacklist" published Tuesday.

It said: "The apartheid regime and its sports bodies have attempted to counter the growing isolation through secret deals to entice individual sportsmen by offers of exorbitant fees or prize money."

"But these deals only provoked

stronger opposition in South Africa and abroad," the U.N. centre against apartheid said in a preamble to the "register of sports contacts with South Africa," the third issued since May 1981.

It lists sports exchanges with South Africa between January 1 and to June 30 this year and names sportsmen and women who took part in events in South Africa.

Britain tops the list of 30 countries with more than 100 sportsmen and women named. The United States is second with 45.

Wettest Wimbledon in history makes more than £1.5m profit

LONDON (R) — This year's Wimbledon Lawn Tennis Championships made a profit of more than one-and-a-half million sterling (\$2,500,000) — despite being plagued by rain and rail strikes.

The championships, which were the wettest in history and forced to run a day longer because of the bad weather, made a profit of £1,530,585 (\$2,570,400), an increase of more than 45 per cent on last year.

Sir Brian Burnett chairman of the championships committee, said Tuesday: "I think we felt extremely pleased to go above the £1,500,000 mark, particularly as we had 42,000 fewer spectators this year."

The increased income was generated by higher seat prices and the extra day's play.

The chairman said he expected profits to increase again next year, and said ticket prices would have to go up again to cover the additional women's prize money incurred by increasing the entry from 96 to 128.

Navratilova leads U.S. women against European stars in Belgium

GHEENT, Belgium (R) — Wimbledon champion Martina Nav-

ratilova, beaten only twice in 50 singles matches this year leads the United States in a women's tennis match against Europe starting here Wednesday.

Billie Jean King, Andrea Jaeger and Betsy Nagelsen complete the American lineup.

Navratilova, winner of the Brighton international tournament in England at the weekend, will be relishing the chance to avenge one of her two 1982 defeats.

West Germany's powerful left-hander Sylvia Hanika, who beat Navratilova in New York in March, returns after injury to lead the European team.

Wilander ousts compatriot Carlsson

STOCKHOLM (R) — Sweden's emerging tennis star Mats Wilander swept aside compatriot Peter Carlsson 6-0, 6-3 in the first round of a Grand Prix tournament Tuesday.

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ECONOMY

Japan will continue relying on M.E.

TOKYO (R) — Japan, which imports virtually all its oil, will continue to rely heavily on the Middle East for its crude requirements, despite political disturbances such as the Iranian revolution and the Gulf war, according to an official report.

The natural resources and energy agency said in its latest report that Saudi Arabia's share of Japan's oil imports rose to 37.3 per cent or 329.6 million barrels, in the first eight months of 1982, representing a 4.9 per cent increase on the previous year.

While Saudi Arabia has been and is certain to be a stable supplier, Japanese importers also go to the warring countries, Iran and Iraq, if loading there does not involve immediate risks, the government agency said.

Iran, which used to provide over 40 per cent of Japan's total crude needs in the early 1970s, became Japan's fourth largest supplier in the financial year ending last March with a 5.2 per cent share and a similar trend has been sustained so far this year.

China has become the second largest Asian crude supplier for Japan with shipments now filling 4.7 per cent of the country's total imports. But because of a long-term trade arrangement, China is not expected to threaten Indonesia's position as Japan's biggest regional supplier, the report said.

As a whole, Asian suppliers, including Malaysia and Brunei, account for 25 per cent of Japan's needs, compared with some 70 per cent from the Middle East.

In the current financial year ending next March, Japan will import 1.35 billion barrels of crude, eight per cent below last year's 1.43 billion barrels.

The agency had previously predicted a fall of 4.8 per cent in Japan's requirements. But it has been forced to revise the figure downwards because of the worse than expected state of the Japanese economy, which is seen growing 3.4 per cent this year compared with earlier forecasts of 5.2 per cent growth.

Crude imports are forecast to rise 6.9 per cent to 1.44 billion barrels in the 1983 financial year, but will then remain steady for the next three years.

U.K. coal miners rebuff militant leader, vote against striking

LONDON (R) — Britain's coal miners have rebuffed their militant left-wing leader Mr. Arthur Scargill and voted by a 3-2 majority against striking to press demands for a 31 per cent pay increase, ballot results showed Tuesday.

The outcome meant the miners accepted a new package from the state-run coal industry giving them an increase of 8.5 per cent.

Mr. Scargill, in his first year as president of the National Union of Mineworkers (NUM), staked his prestige on getting a mandate from the miners to call a strike if necessary in pay negotiations with the National Coal Board.

But, after the final tally from the two-day secret ballot at pits around the country last week was completed, it was clear he had suffered a humiliating defeat. Only 39 per cent of the nation's 207,000 miners voted for strike action.

The outcome will bring relief to Prime Minister Margaret Thatcher's Conservative government, which had been apprehensive about a re-run of a damaging confrontation with the miners in 1973-74.

That winter, the miners struck for seven weeks, crippling industry and causing widespread power blackouts, and were instrumental in bringing down the then Conservative government of Mr. Edward Heath.

Many miners were clearly angry that Mr. Scargill and his union executive had linked the pay offer to the ballot paper to strike action to fight closure of uneconomic pits.

They felt he was sure this would guarantee a majority vote for striking in what he regarded more as a political showdown with Mrs. Thatcher.

Already top of the workers' pay league earning an average £150 (£225) a week, 61 per cent of the miners voted "no" to giving Mr. Scargill the strike mandate.

The ballots, cast at 197 pits in England, Scotland and Wales, showed a result of 125,233 to 81,592 against industrial action.

Meanwhile, Britain's employers organisation, though deeply worried about the weakness of the economy, decided Monday not to press for an effective devaluation of sterling to aid industry. Recent months have brought a

chorus of calls from leading industrialists for action by the Conservative government to lower the pound on foreign exchanges and boost flagging orders for British goods.

But the Confederation of British Industry (CBI), the employers' body which is holding its annual conference here, formally rejected the idea in a decisive two-to-one vote.

Some CBI leaders had wanted to see sterling weaker against the West German mark and the Japanese yen but the Chancellor of the Exchequer, Sir Geoffrey Howe told delegates elective devaluation was impossible.

However in Monday's debates it was clear many CBI members thought a weaker pound, by increasing the cost of raw-material imports, would make matters worse, not better.

Mr. Pat Gailey, a speaker representing machine tool firms, warned: "We fear a rise in inflation if exchange rates are tampered with."

But strong pressure is expected to be exerted on the government by the conference to reduce interest rates further and faster, even

if it means some decline in the exchange rate.

The Bank of England surprised some financiers Monday by cutting a quarter of a percentage point off its money-market dealing rates, without waiting for a cut in the United States.

Dealers said this meant that a further reduction in the base lending rate charged by major British banks, now 9.5 per cent, could come later this week.

The government also won support from the CBI for its new tougher policy towards imports from countries that erect trade barriers. The CBI reaffirmed its backing for free trade but aid steps must be taken to ensure equal access for British exports in foreign markets.

Despite the decision not to press for a change in foreign exchange policy, the conference is still looking for sustained government action to help boost the economy.

Sir Michael Edwards, chairman of the state-owned car firm B.L. (British Leyland), addressing himself to the government, said: "You cut interest rates and business costs and we'll give you export-led growth."

FORECAST FOR WEDNESDAY, NOV. 3, 1982

YOUR DAILY Horoscope from the Carroll Righter Institute

GENERAL TENDENCIES: A day and evening when you accomplish little or nothing of value by a critical attitude. Become more familiar with new methods. A new course of action could be most successful.

ARIES (Mar. 21 to Apr. 19) Think kindly of your best friends and be of assistance where most needed. Taking any unnecessary risks could prove costly.

TAURUS (Apr. 20 to May 20) Plan how to cut down on expenses and command a greater income so that you can operate more efficiently in the days ahead.

GEMINI (May 21 to June 21) Don't run away from your responsibilities or you could have others that are not so promising. Be more optimistic.

MOON CHILDREN (June 22 to July 21) Try not to act in an irrational manner about anything today, especially where important business matters are concerned.

LEO (July 22 to Aug. 21) Fine day for making plans that could bring more abundance in the days ahead. Make sure to exercise caution in travel.

VIRGO (Aug. 22 to Sept. 22) Make certain you handle routine tasks efficiently at this time. Use tried and true methods for advancing in career matters.

LIBRA (Sept. 23 to Oct. 22) You have fine ideas that need more study before putting them in operation. Be more optimistic about the future.

SCORPIO (Oct. 23 to Nov. 21) Much care must be exercised in business dealings today to avoid future trouble. Show more affection for loved one.

SAGITTARIUS (Nov. 22 to Dec. 21) Listen to the suggestions of associates and cooperate more with them. Relax at home tonight.

CAPRICORN (Dec. 22 to Jan. 20) Don't let intruders keep you from doing your work in an efficient manner. Consult an expert for advice you need.

AQUARIUS (Jan. 21 to Feb. 19) Although the actions of others could disturb you, keep busy at own affairs for best results. Show others you have wisdom.

PISCES (Feb. 20 to Mar. 20) Try to take in stride any annoyances that come your way. A good time to make plans to add to present security.

IF YOUR CHILD IS BORN TODAY... he or she must be taught ethical standards early in life, otherwise your progeny could go off in the wrong direction. Much success can be attained if the right education is provided. Be sure to give good religious training.

"The Stars impel, they do not compel." What you make of your life is largely up to you!

Yen value worries monetary authorities in Japan

TOKYO (R) — Japan's monetary authorities are worried and unhappy when the yen is losing value.

The yen is losing value despite the fact that the Japanese economy continues to perform better than its competitors.

The latest figures show that Japan's trade surplus rose sharply in September, pushing its overall balance of payments into the black for the first time in four months, while its inflation and unemployment rates remain among the world's lowest.

But despite the statistics and Bank of Japan efforts to support the currency by selling large amounts of dollars, the yen fell last month to its lowest level against the dollar for five and a half years.

Suspensions have been voiced in the currency markets that the Japanese government is in fact happy to see the yen fall to give boost to exports at a time when the growth rate of the once dynamic Japanese economy is slowing.

But Finance Minister Michio Watanabe and Bank of Japan Governor Haruo Maekawa have repeatedly denied this.

Mr. Maekawa, in his most recent statement on the subject, told reporters last week that the bank

had been doing everything possible to support the yen, including selling large amounts of dollars.

In addition, economists note, the Bank of Japan has been holding short-term interest charges up to minimise the differential between Japanese rates and high U.S. rates which have been a factor in drawing funds into the dollar.

But though the recent decline in U.S. interest rates has helped narrow the differential, the yen has weakened further rather than strengthened.

"Interest rate considerations are less important now than they were several months ago," said Jardine Fleming Securities economist, Mr. Nobumitsu Kagami.

Mr. Kagami contends that more important to the short-term performance of the yen is the uncertainty about the state of the Japanese economy, which is expected to expand 3.4 per cent this year compared with forecasts at the beginning of the year of 5.2 per cent growth.

Japan's political hiatus caused by the ruling Liberal Democratic Party's failure to pick a successor to outgoing Prime Minister Zenko Suzuki has also been a factor in the yen's weakness, Mr. Kagami said.

"In the present circumstances it

is not easy to make a clear case as to why Japan is good for investment," he said, adding that though Japanese economic fundamentals are better than elsewhere, the advantage is being eroded.

Economists and foreign exchange dealers also point to the declining level of Japanese exports, which fell 9.6 per cent in the first six months of this year compared with last year, and the failure of the outgoing Suzuki cabinet to take effective measures to stimulate the domestic economy.

"There is no early (domestic) economic recovery in sight. We

cannot expect a sharp rise in exports, which in the past has helped the yen to strengthen substantially," according to the foreign fund division manager of a major Japanese city bank.

Continuing anxieties over the cash problems of some of the world's most indebted countries will continue to underpin the value of the dollar against all major currencies, including the yen, he said.

Some economists agree with Bank of Japan Governor Haruo Maekawa's contention that a narrowing trend in the deficit on Japan's capital account, which

measures the flow of investment funds in and out of the country, could help the yen.

Balance of payments figures released last week showed the long-term capital account deficit fell sharply to \$416 million in September from \$2.29 billion in August, reflecting a reduction in net yen loans overseas and a sharp rise in non-resident investment in Japanese securities.

"The narrowing capital account deficit is a reason why I do not expect any further extremely sharp fall in the yen," one economist said.

Those prepared to make pre-

dictions on the outlook for the yen over the remainder of this year believe it could fall to a low of around 285 to the dollar from 278.50 and will not rebound beyond a range of between 250 and 260.

They emphasised that the likely trend is clouded by a plethora of uncertainties, both political and economic.

"At the moment the yen can go anywhere," said Jardine's Kagami, who believes that a correction to the yen's decline is overdue and there is a good chance of a rebound to around 265 before the end of the year.

LONDON STOCK MARKET

LONDON (R) — The market closed basically steady but the undertone was firm after the Bank of England cut its money market intervention rates for the second day running and paved the way for a further cut in U.K. base lending rates, dealers said.

The FT index at 1500 Tuesday was up 3.5 at 614.4.

Confirmation that U.K. mineworkers had rejected the possibility of strike action in their ballot had been fully discounted and had no real impact, dealers added.

Among the leaders Glaxo rose 35p to 1100p and ICI was up 6p at 330. U.S. shares were narrowly mixed with Homestake unchanged throughout around £27.

Government bonds finished below the day's early highs but still 1/4 to 1/2 point higher, boosted by the prospect of lower base rates. Trading was subdued peeling the outcome of the U.S. mid-term elections, dealers said.

Bowater fell 4p to 174, still depressed by a competitor's recent reduction in newspaper prices, while Reed International was unchanged on balance at 274 after interim. Tozer Kemsley which reported an interim pretax loss, was 3p down at 55p.

Insurance brokers were weak on news the problems at Alex Howden have led to a Lloyd's investigation into the underwriting agency of Minet holdings. Minet itself fell 19p to 118.

LONDON EXCHANGE RATES

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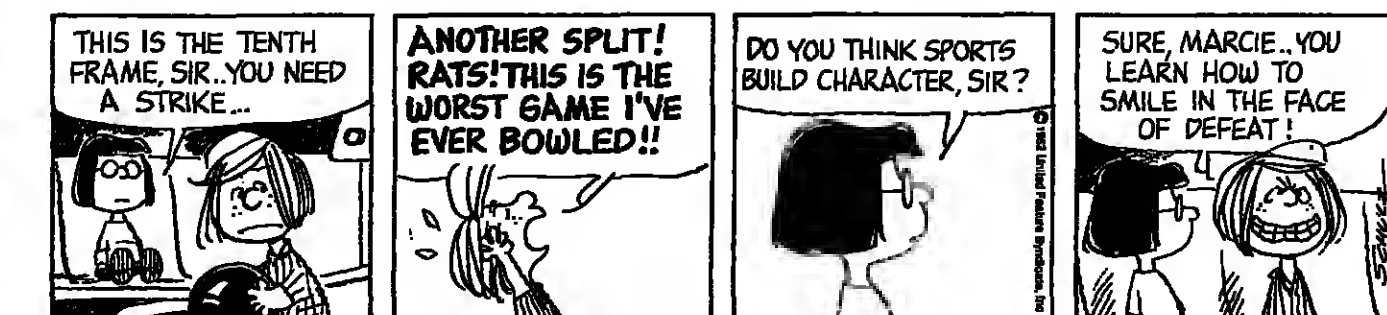
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	2.7655/70	Dutch guilders
	2.1920/30	Swiss francs
	49.21/23	Belgian francs
	7.1750/80	French francs
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	275.35/45	Japanese yen
	7.4115/35	Swedish crowns
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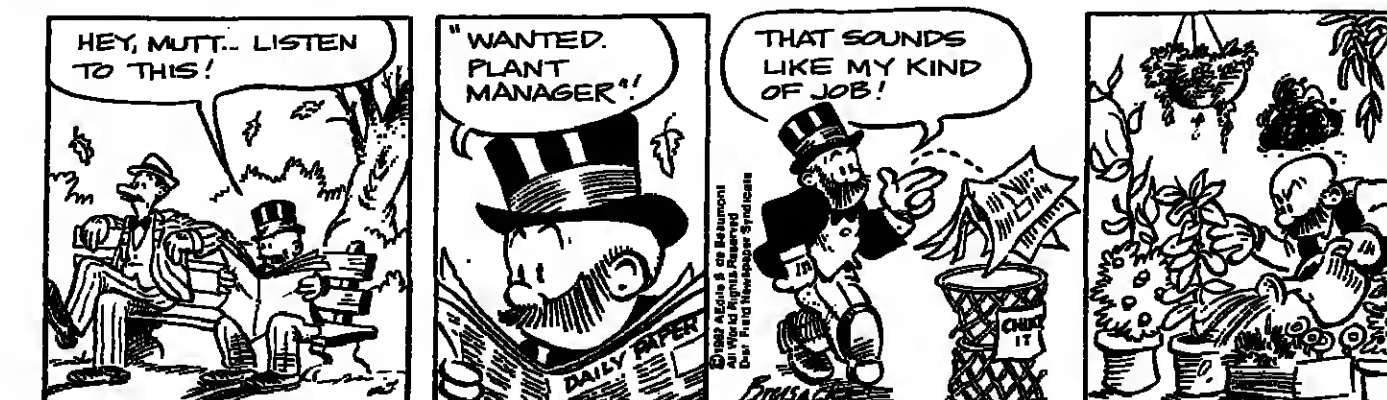


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Peanuts



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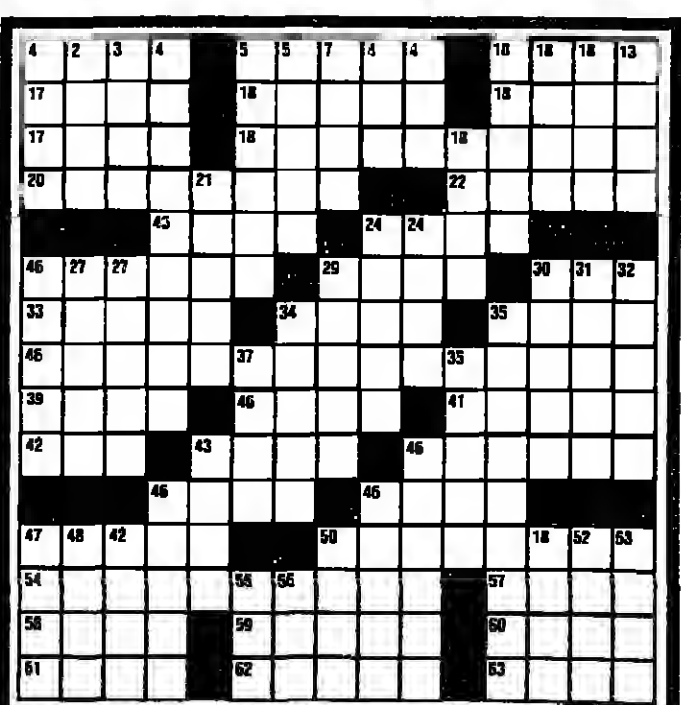


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THE Daily Crossword By James Barrick

ACROSS	24 Flightless bird	46 Cumberbund	24 Wet
1 Ordered	26 Oppressive	47 To a higher place	25 Island dance
5 Large painting	28 Extol	50 Civil War battle site	26 Zoo animal
10 Countenance	30 Silent	54 Genealogical chart	27 "— a Nightingale"
14 Author Heley	34 Eya: Fr.	57 Sousaphone	28 French income
15 "To form — perfect Union"	35 Singer	58 To shelter	29 Find out
16 Pewter	36 Cannell	59 Avid	30 "Ave —"
17 Ingredient	38 Royal attendant	61 Orange peel	31 Not yet considered
17 Structure for storage	39 Diminutive suffix	62 Legend	32 En — (in a body)
18 Stained	40 Not one	63 Bone: comb. form	34 Midwest metropolis
20 Flat-bodied fish	41 Zodiac sign		35 Somewhat slowly
22 Sardonic literary style	42 Caviar base		36 In music
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WORLD

Brixton calm after new police units go into action

LONDON (R) — London's multi-racial district of Brixton, scene of fierce rioting last year, was returning to normal Tuesday after fresh violence which brought a new police riot unit on to the streets in force for the first time.

A crowd of several hundred youths — mostly black — armed with petrol bombs and bricks took to the streets Monday night after a day of tension sparked by evictions in the area.

Police were stoned, windows smashed and derelict buildings set ablaze before the specially trained immediate response squads, wearing flameproof clothing and crash helmets and carrying riot shields moved in to clear the area.

One policeman was injured and four arrests were made.

Tuesday the police presence was discreet.

Damage to property was estimated at several thousand sterling, but most concern was focused on the effects on relations between the communist and the police.

Local council leader Robin Pitt said the clashes could set back the work of building harmony in the area by a year.

Monday night's rioting broke out after local council officials and police took over council-owned houses in Railton Road — dubbed the "front line" in last year's riots where they said squatters were running an illegal gambling and drinking club.

Relations between police and

residents in Brixton, a run-down inner city area have been delicate for years.

The police came under intense government and public scrutiny both in their handling of minority groups and in their riot tactics and one result was the introduction of immediate response units in most districts of London.

The units are ready for action to deal with riots at 5 minutes notice and they include trained "snatch squads" whose task is to break up groups of rioters and arrest leaders.

Police said they were satisfied with the performance of their new force in clearing the streets quickly, but the clash showed clearly that tension remained.

Shatila survivor shares moment with French troops



An elderly Palestinian refugee, who lost all seven members of his family during the massacre at Shatila refugee camp, now shows pictures of his family anyone who is passing by. Here, he shows

them to French paratroopers of the multinational peace-keeping force, who currently patrol Shatila to prevent a repetition of the massacre. (UNRWA photo)

NEWS IN BRIEF

Taiwan offers rank of major to MiG pilot

TAIPEI (R) — A Chinese air force pilot who defected to Taiwan by way of South Korea will be made a major, Gen. Kuo Ju-Lin, chief of the Taiwanese air force, said. During a reception given to Capt. Wu Yung-Ken's honour, it was reported that Gen. Kuo had promised Wu the rank in the Nationalist air force.

Queen Elizabeth ends Pacific tour

LONDON (R) — Queen Elizabeth returned home Monday night from a colourful four-week tour of Australia and remote islands in the Pacific. The queen's tour took her from the modernity of Brisbane, to the tiny island of Tarawa in Kiribati, almost untouched by the 20th century.

Colombo acts against opposition politicians

COLOMBO (R) — The Sri Lankan authorities have cancelled the passports of two opposition politicians, one of them the main challenger in last month's presidential election, a defence ministry official said. The official declined to give reasons for the action against Hector Kobbekaduwa, vice-president of the Sri Lanka Freedom Party (SLFP), and a party assistant secretary, Vijaya Kumaranatunga.

German woman on trial for murdering her daughter's killer

LUEBECK, West Germany (R) — A mother who shot her daughter's alleged killer in a West German courtroom last year went on trial for murder Tuesday. Marianne Bachmeier, 32, is charged with the murder of 35-year-old butcher Klaus Grabowski, who was accused of strangling the seven-year-old girl, Anna, after sexually assaulting her. On the third day of his trial in March 1981, Mrs. Bachmeier, a Luebeck bar-owner, drew a small-calibre pistol and fired six shots into Grabowski's back as he stood in the dock waiting for the judges to enter the courtroom. Mrs. Bachmeier surrendered without resistance after the shooting.

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Weinberger tells ASEAN not to worry about Japan

SINGAPORE (R) — U.S. Defence Secretary Caspar Weinberger Tuesday dismissed South East Asian fears over an increased Japanese defence role in the Pacific and said there was no indication of a revival of World War II militarism in Japan.

Mr. Weinberger told a press conference at the end of a two-day visit here that Japan could play a significant and useful role in increasing its ability to defend its home islands and the surrounding seamounts which were being increasingly threatened by the Soviet Union.

He said that the U.S. understood the feelings of people in the South East Asian region, particularly after their experience under Japanese military occupation during the World War II. "But I don't think this concern is well founded. I don't see any disposition whatsoever on the part of the Japanese to regain militaristic spirit," he said.

Mr. Weinberger was the architect of a proposal to make the Japanese responsible for the defence of the sea lanes up to 1,000 nautical miles from their home islands. Tokyo has accepted the lane and agreed to increase its defence capability.

Singapore and its partners in the Association of South East Asian Nations (ASEAN) — Thailand, Malaysia, Indonesia and the Philippines — have expressed reservations about a rearmament Japan being given responsibility for an area close to their region.

"We have made clear to these countries that we have not had the slightest indication that there is any kind of a feeling on the part of the Japanese to assume an offensive militaristic role again," Mr. Weinberger said.

He added, however, that the U.S. would increase its defence cooperation with ASEAN countries and hold more joint naval exercises with them.

Hu Yaobang speaks on love

PEKING (R) — Chinese Communist Party Chairman Hu Yaobang has said personal love is important but should take a back seat to the interests of the country and Chinese people among true revolutionaries, the People's Daily reported.

The newspaper, in the first published account of his remarks, said Mr. Hu, 69, made them last December in a confidential speech at a national conference on feature films.

"Personal love is indeed an important theme in literature and art. It can be, and should be written... it is a part of life, a social phenomenon," Mr. Hu said.

"The question is one of degree. Communists, revolutionaries and patriots ought to have a broad world outlook and cherish their country and people and the success of socialism."

"Love between two sexes should not be depicted as more important than the revolution. Literature and art should not propagate that love is above everything and everything is for love," Mr. Hu said.

He said literature and art here should serve and educate, adding true revolutionaries should be able to sacrifice personal love if the need arose.

Chancellor's trousers cause upset

LONDON (R) — Questions about security raised by the case of the chancellor's trousers are to be asked in the British Parliament.

The chancellor of the exchequer (finance minister), Sir Geoffrey Howe, lost his trousers as he dozed in a berth on an overnight train at the weekend. He was not wearing them at the time.

Taken with the trousers — part of a black dinner suit — was £100 (\$170) in cash left in a pocket.

Geoffrey Dickens, one of the chancellor's Conservative colleagues in the House of Commons, said the incident was very worrying and he would be raising the matter in Parliament.

"We spend millions of pounds protecting cabinet ministers but if a thing like this can happen it all seems futile if someone can get in to steal they can get in to murder," he said.

Parliament has already been exercised this year over security lapses that have allowed an intruder to surprise Queen Elizabeth in her Buckingham Palace bedroom and two relatives of a jailed convict to scale a tower at the houses of Parliament.

The chancellor reported the trousers missing, believed stolen, when the overnight express from Manchester arrived in London early on Saturday.

Other passengers on the same train were also robbed a spokesman for British Rail said.

"The thief crept into at least one other compartment and took items of cash and clothing," the spokesman said.

The government driver and bodyguard assigned to look after Sir Geoffrey said he had reprimanded the chancellor.

"I said to him, 'you did not leave the door unlocked, did you?'" "The trouble is he works so hard. He sits up late at night with his papers and does not take much sleep. But when he does, he is out like a light."

The chancellor emerged from the incident still missing his dress trousers but with dignity intact.

"I have more than one pair of trousers," he said. "Luckily I always carry a spare pair."

Bekaa Valley relatively quiet as pullout talks go on

By Paul Eedle

WAVELL REFUGEE CAMP, Lebanon (R) — An elderly, dusty artillery piece stands in the hallway of a Palestinian commando headquarters in a refugee camp in eastern Lebanon. Green wooden boxes of explosives are stacked against a wall.

But the only fighters in any kind of action in Wavell camp are guards trying to regulate the flow of refugees crowding an office down the street where the camp administration is based.

"In the mountains to the west, Israeli soldiers beside a sand and barbed wire barricade wave vehicles along the main Beirut-Damascus highway."

A few hundred metres along, Syrian troops in red and green camouflage fatigues man sandbagged posts by the road. But when one soldier stops a car, it emerges he only wants to see if the driver has a newspaper to spare.

The tension has almost gone. There are still, according to the latest Western estimates, 40,000 Syrian troops, 20,000 Israelis and upwards of 6,000 Palestinian guerrillas in Lebanon controlling most of the country.

Efforts have started to secure their final withdrawal, but the desperate negotiations of July and August have passed. Then, diplomats

laments raced to arrange the removal of Palestinian and Syrian units from west Beirut before the Israelis completely pulverised the city.

That ended with evacuations and withdrawals and now everyone seems to have time to spare.

The occasional incident disturbs the peace. Last Sunday Syrian anti-aircraft batteries on the Syrian side of the border fired two rockets at Israeli reconnaissance aircraft flying over the Bekaa Valley, where Wavell camp lies.

But the only serious fighting in the last month has been between the Lebanese themselves, among feuding Christians and Druze Muslims in the Shouf mountains near Beirut.

Western diplomats working in Lebanon and Syria believe the urgency has evaporated because the bloodshed has stopped and because all of the parties are now willing to sit out the winter to get what they want before withdrawing their forces.

The Israelis want security arrangements for South Lebanon that will guarantee no Palestinian guerrillas ever return to within at least 40 kilometres of the Israeli border.

The Syrians want their dignity, the diplomats believe, and this means not starting to withdraw until the Israelis do so.

The Palestinians want to formulate a strategy for their struggle now that they have lost their independent base in Beirut and they want time to prepare a future for the fighters they will have to pull out of Lebanon.

Diplomats say that even the new Lebanese government of President Amin Gemayel appears in no hurry for the talks to finish. When the foreign forces withdraw, the Lebanese government will have to take control of the areas they leave and at present the fledgling Lebanese army is hard put to patrol the area around Beirut.

Mr. Gemayel suggested on a recent tour of the United States, France and Italy that the present 4,000-strong multinational peace-keeping force in Beirut should be expanded to 30,000 men and spread out across the country.

But the diplomats said that the United States, leader of the diplomatic efforts concerning Lebanon, believed that there was no alternative in the long run to the country ruling itself.

Limits of peacekeeping A multinational force, however large, might help the Lebanese army to take over positions left by departing foreigners. But it would almost certainly decline to help the authorities to bring under con-

trol the illegal Lebanese militias that still run the streets of Tripoli, Baalbek and even parts of east Beirut.

The diplomats said Western countries would be very reluctant to take on any tasks that might entangle their troops in Lebanon's long-running and violent internal conflicts.

The diplomats predicted that Israel might use air and artillery bombardments of Syrian and Palestinian positions to apply pressure if it felt talks on withdrawal had reached deadlock.

But they said that at least in the current atmosphere, a major push forward looked unlikely either by the Israelis or the Syrians.

The Syrians had units dug in right across the flat, fertile Bekaa Valley, both south and north of the Beirut-Damascus highway, but their arrangement looked defensive.

Men had been withdrawn from the Golan Heights area, leaving the way to Damascus from Israel relatively unguarded and suggesting the Syrians were not expecting all-out war, the diplomats said.

They added that while the Syrians, inferior in the air, did not threaten the Israelis at present, they were strong enough to ensure heavy Israeli casualties if Israel tried to move forward.

South Africa, Angola to swap POWs

LUSAKA (R) — U.S. embassy officials in Lusaka confirmed Tuesday that negotiations were continuing over an exchange of prisoners of war by Angola and South Africa.

The officials declined to give further details but Zambian Home Affairs Minister Frederick Chonhwa was quoted Monday as saying Lusaka had been chosen for the exchange.

Informed sources said the negotiations involved Angolan, Soviet and Cuban prisoners held by South Africa, and a U.S. pilot, two U.S. mercenaries and the bodies of three South African soldiers held by the Angolan government.

The pilot, Geoffrey Tyler, 32, has been in Angolan custody since early last year when his single-engine plane made an apparent forced landing while heading for South Africa.

The mercenaries, Gary Acker and Gustavo Grillo, are serving long prison sentences in Luanda following their conviction in 1976 of involvement in Angola's post-independence civil war.

South Africa is believed to have about 100 Angolan and one Cuban prisoner, as well as a Soviet adviser captured last year when South African forces invaded the town of Ongiva in Angola's southern Cunene province during operations against Namibian (South West African) guerrillas based in the region.

Cuban troops have been stationed in Angola since the civil war.

Ancient Greek ship replica to be built

ATHENS (R) — American and Greek archaeologists have embarked on an ambitious project to build a life-size, sea-going replica of a 2,300-year-old Greek ship sunk by pirates off northern Cyprus.

Prof. Michael Katzev, a U.S. archaeologist who was with the diving team that discovered the largely intact "Kyrenia wreck" on the seabed in 1967, outlined at a press conference Monday plans to build an identical ship.

He said the replica would help researchers test the manoeuvrability and speed of such ships in the notoriously changeable waters of the eastern Mediterranean.

Prof. Katzev, who spent 15 years analysing the mine of information on ancient shipping the find produced, is working with Harry Tzalas of the Athens-based Hellenic Institute for the preservation of nautical tradition to put some of the knowledge he has acquired to the test.

At Perama, on the coast southwest of Athens, they are constructing an exact model, with ancient world materials and design, of the 14.75 metre ship sunk in 300 B.C. along with its cargo of oil, wine, millstones, almonds and iron.

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